

Visual Resource Management Short Course

Course #8400-04

August 15th – 17th, 2017

Casper, Wyoming

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

This is a general overview course that covers VRM policy, land use planning procedures and field implementation to improve the visual quality of projects. Each offering of this course is tailored to focus on the key issues identified by the State, District and/or Field Office serving as the training venue.

Dates: August 15th – 17th, 2017

Length: 2 ½ days
(Tuesday, August 15th - 8:00am – 5:00pm)
(Wednesday, August 16th - 8:00am – 5:00pm)
(Thursday, August 17th - 8:00am – Noon)

Class Location: Hilton Garden Inn (Casper) – *Magnolia/Dahlia Meeting Room*
1150 North Poplar Street
Casper, WY 82601
[Hilton Garden Inn \(Casper\)](#)

Target Audience: This class is intended for FO personnel that work with projects subject to VRM policy including, but not limited to field managers, natural resource specialists, realty specialists, range conservationists, recreation planners, cultural resource specialists, and landscape architects. Lessees actively planning projects and managing existing facilities along with other external interests determined appropriate by the State DSD, District/Field Office Manager are encouraged to attend.

Scope: This is a general overview course that covers VRM policy, inventorying visual values, land use planning procedures, field implementation to improve the visual quality of projects, monitoring landscape character change, and developing a visual mitigation strategy. The class will focus on local issues and challenges identified by the State, District and/or Field Office.

Special Accommodations: Requests for interpreters or other requirements must be received at the NTC no later than 45 days prior to the start of the class. The request form can be accessed at:

http://www.blm.gov/ntc/st/en/reasonable_accommodation.html

Major Topics:

- BLM policy and law related to Visual Resource Management emphasizing the importance for consistent Bureau- wide VRM implementation;
- How this policy is reflected in the local FO land use plans;
- The process for inventorying a landscape;
- Monitoring for changes to landscape character;
- How to evaluate and design the visual resource aspects of a project;
- Evaluating merits for visual resource compensatory mitigation;
- How to identify the extent of VRM effort needed for various situations, and know when to network, get help, who to ask, and what tools and sources of information available;

Questions on Content: Contact John McCarty (202) 912-7284 (jhmccart@blm.gov)

Registration: You must use DOI Learn to register for this course using the below steps. Contact Mike Brown if you have questions on how to register.

Supervisor's Approval: You will need to have your supervisor's approval to take this course. Be sure to discuss this training opportunity and commitment of time with them in advance.

How to Register in DOI Learn:

1. Login www.doi.gov/doilearn . Check your personal profile and ensure you have the correct supervisor/training approver selected.
2. Go to Catalog and search for the desired course “**Visual Resource Management Short Course**”.
3. Click on Details tab to review course description, etc.
4. Click on the Scheduled Class tab for available scheduled classes. Additional class information can be viewed by selecting a class and clicking on View Detail.
5. Select the desired class and click Submit Request. Once the request form is submitted, an email notification is sent to the supervisor telling them they have a training request to approve.
6. Once the request is approved, the Learner will receive a notification email and a second email notification with their appropriate class status (i.e. Enrolled or Waitlisted.)

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